

Prison Camp To Get Official Investigation

Riverside county prison camp management is "under fire."

Disclosure that a member of board of supervisors has made a secret investigation of asserted gambling, liquor-drinking and other activities at the county road camp in the San Jacinto mountains was made at a meeting of the board at Riverside Tuesday.

E. C. Wickerd, superintendent of the camp, appeared before the board and demanded that the charges be aired completely.

The supervisors agreed to go to the camp next Tuesday for a hearing at which prisoners will be summoned as witnesses.

It was disclosed through Wickerd's appearance that Supervisor Walter Pittman of Riverside employed a private detective and had him sent to the camp as a prisoner to investigate conditions.

The investigator's report was turned over to Pittman, who appeared before a special meeting of the grand jury last Saturday morning. The grand jury declined to take action.

It was reported that the investigator's report declared gambling was enjoyed as a pastime by the prisoners, that liquor was obtainable and that other irregularities were permitted. The report was withheld pending the supervisors' investigation.

The county prison camp was established some years ago to relieve crowded conditions at the Riverside county jail. It was placed in charge of Clem Sweeters, who delegated Ben de Crevecoeur to handle it. First work of the prisoners was to grade the road for pavement, between the foot of the Jackrabbit Trail and San Jacinto.

Wickerd has been in charge of the prison camp for some years. The present investigation may cause a change of policy whereby the camp may be put under control of Sheriff Carl Rayburn. In the opinion of many, the camp should be a function of the sheriff's office.

SAFETYWAY STORE HAS BIG BUSINESS INCREASE

Rapid increase in business at the Safetyway store this week indicates that many people have returned here for the opening of school next Monday. It is reported that business has nearly doubled during the past few weeks. George Hall has been added to the store's personnel. J. F. Butler is local manager.

BERT MISNERS HAVE WRECK WHILE ON LONG TRIP; RETURN WITH NEW CAR

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Misner have returned and Mr. Misner has reopened his barber shop back of the Palm Springs Theatre on Andreas Road. Mr. and Mrs. Misner took an extended vacation trip this summer. They left here on July 7th and drove to Yellowstone National Park, and visited Yosemite and other parks on the way home.

At Salt Lake City their car was wrecked so badly that they had to buy a new car there. Neither of them was hurt in the wreck.

At Big Sur basin in central California they visited with Bill Raymond of the Palm Springs Sandwich Shop, and at Beverly Hills they spent some time visiting their daughter. They also spent two weeks in Big Bear Valley this summer.

DESERT INN EXECUTIVES RETURN FOR SEASON

James Geggie, assistant manager of the Desert Inn, will return to his desk at the Inn on September 15. He and Mrs. Geggie have spent the summer in Lazy Acres, Banning.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Coffman will move to the Coffman's Lazy Acres estate in Banning this week-end, so that their children may enter Banning high school next Monday. They have spent the summer at Del Mar beach.

Mr. and Mrs. George Roberson returned from Balboa yesterday.

Miss Dorothy From, auditor at the Desert Inn, has been living in Lazy Acres all summer while attending to her duties, which have been greatly multiplied by Social Security legislation, causing an enormous amount of bookkeeping.

Theatre Opens Tonight

Box 424

The Palm Springs Theatre opens tonight for the 1937-38 season, with the gay and sensational new musical comedy, "Broadway Melody of 1938." The picture will be repeated tomorrow (Saturday) evening. Two shows nightly, 7 and 9 o'clock.

Robert Taylor and Eleanor Powell are co-starred in the production. However, it is an all-star cast, including George Murphy, Binnie Barnes, Buddy Ebsen, Sophie Tucker, Judy Garland, Chas. Igor Gorin, Raymond Walburn, Robert Benchley, Willie Howard, Charles Grapewin, Robert Wildhack, and Billy Gilbert.

Sunday and Monday the feature attraction at the theatre will be "Souls at Sea," starring Gary Cooper and George Raft. Also Pete Smith's Olympic Ski Champions, and Universal News.

Tuesday, Wednesday — Loretta Young and Don Ameche in "Love Under Fire." Also Our Gang Comedy, "Night 'n' Gales" and Paramount News.

Thursday, Friday, Sept. 16-17 — Sonja Henie and Tyrone Power in "Thin Ice." Also a novelty, "Rocky Mountain Grandeur," color cartoon, "Wayward Pups," and Loew's News of the Day.

The following staff is in charge of the theatre: Manager Earl Strebe, George Strebe, Frederick Watson, Clarence Macy, projectionist, and Miss Vona Hackett, auditor.

FIELDS CONVICTED OF ROBBERY AND GRAND THEFT

Charles Fields, who was arrested last May at Eagle Mountain camp for committing a crime on the road between Palm Springs and Cathedral City, was convicted on the charge of robbery and grand theft in the Riverside Superior Court on Tuesday.

Fields was charged with beating up and robbing his traveling companion, Roy Anderson, and leaving him beside the road in a stunned condition, on May 24th. He was accused of taking \$100 from Anderson. After Fields had fled, Anderson walked onto the highway in a dazed condition, and was picked up by a motorist who brought him to the Palm Springs police station. Officer McCracken of Palm Springs, who worked on the case, was subpoenaed to appear at the trial.

LOCAL ATTORNEY INJURED IN AUTOMOBILE WRECK

Roy Colegate, local attorney, is resting easily after an automobile accident in which he was seriously injured, near Riverside last week. His car collided head-on with another car while he was enroute to Los Angeles. It is said the other car was on the wrong side of the road.

Mr. Colegate suffered two broken bones in his leg, a fractured knee cap, two fractured ribs and a crushed shoulder. Owing to the severe shock, which he sustained, it was not until four days later that the fractures could be set.

Mr. Colegate is at the San Antonio Hospital in Upland and Mrs. Colegate is at present living near the hospital in order to be near her husband.

NEW LUBRATORIUM AT DESERT INN GARAGE

The Desert Inn Garage has equipped a new lubratorium that is the last word in such an establishment, with an efficient lubrication engineer in charge. He received his training at automobile factories.

The new plant has the latest type of hydraulic hoist, grease guns and other equipment, with lubrication charts for all makes of cars. Equipment for washing and polishing of cars is also included in the plant.

The garage specializes in pure 100 per cent Pennzoil lubrication.

LIBRARY NOTES

The Palm Springs Public Library will continue through September being open Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays.

Donations of books have recently been received from Mrs. May Sharpless and Bob Geggie. Some desert books were bought during the summer: Spanish and Indian Place Names of Southern California, California Cactus, Western Wild Flowers and Their Stories, and others pertaining to this locality.

Plan Pumping Plant for P. S. High School

President Raymond Cree and Board Member John W. Williams attended the regular meeting of the high school board Wednesday evening at Banning Union high school, when the principal topics of discussion were the proposed pumping plant for the new well recently drilled on the Palm Springs high school site and insurance on the school buses.

At last month's meeting of the board Mr. Cree and Superintendent W. C. Gunnerson were appointed a committee to investigate the pumping needs of the school. Two pump experts were invited to meet with the board Wednesday night, and they recommended a small pumping plant that would lift 225 gallons per minute, which would provide an acre foot per month for 12 acres, and would be more than ample to irrigate six or seven acres which may be landscaped.

Vincent Stone made a motion that the two insurance policies on the school buses be written by Palm Springs agents. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Koger. Previously Jack Williams had pointed out that no insurance policies now in force on the school or equipment were written by Palm Springs agents and asked that one policy go to Palm Springs. Insurance agents of Banning and Palm Springs were present at the meeting.

The board has set the machinery in motion for the sale of the \$110,000 high school bonds. It is believed the bonds will bring a premium.

Mrs. George Foldesy Called By Death

A message has been received here telling of the death yesterday of Mrs. George Foldesy at Ross, Marin county.

Mrs. Foldesy has been in failing health for some time, but it was not known here that she was in critical condition recently. It is believed she was at the home of her daughter at the time of death. Details were not available at the time of going to press.

Mrs. Foldesy was a pioneer resident of Palm Springs. Her husband owns and operates the Palm Springs Hotel, which he established about 15 years ago.

Among the survivors are the husband, two daughters, Emma and Margaret, and a son, Bela.

Pioneer Citizen Is Feted on 82nd Birthday

Elijah Dawson, pioneer resident, was honored with a surprise party Wednesday evening at the Goff Hotel, celebrating his 82nd birthday. About 35 people were present, who showered him with gifts and good wishes.

Most every permanent resident of the village knows Mr. Dawson, and they all love him because of his kindness and genial personality.

His three daughters, Mrs. Frank Goff, Mrs. Ellis Parker and Mrs. Zeddie Bunker were hostesses at the party. They had provided large quantities of ice cream and cake.

Among the guests were the husbands of the hostesses, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. (Boots) Hayward and daughter, Paula Kay, Mr. and Mrs. Victor Claridge, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Misner, Mr. and Mrs. Carl G. Lykken, Mr. and Mrs. Norval Kelley, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Hansen, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Caruthers, Mr. and Mrs. Rufus J. Chapman, Marion Fulford, Bert Thompson, Mrs. Nellie Coffman, Mrs. Thomas Lipps, Miss Katherine Finchy, Mrs. Matt Fowler, Miss Dorothy From, Mrs. Granger, Miss Vona Hackett, Charles Mathews, Phil Quaglino, Fred Ingram, Pat White, and the Honorable Ryland Monroe Gorman.

There is considerable activity in the various Plaza shops preparing for the season's opening. The Plaza Pharmacy will open next week. M. D. Sale and Sam L. Satlitz of the Plaza Market are here and announced that the market will open October 1st. Tweeds and Weeds will open soon after the first and Desmond's before October 15.

Even Crickets Have Worms

No one seems to know where the huge worms came from that threatened some of the desert ver-bena last spring, but maybe Robert G. Parker, manager of La Hacienda Apartments, will find the answer when he returns here early this fall.

It seems that Mr. Parker has gone in for entomology. At least so it seemed to Mr. and Mrs. Vern West, who called on the Parkers in their summer home at Camp Sherman, Oregon, recently.

Mr. Parker had killed a cricket, but shortly afterward he saw the carcass moving about. He examined the body, which, to all outward appearances, was stone dead. Inside the cricket's body he found a live worm, about the size of a thick horsehair and about six inches long. He then proceeded to dissect other crickets, and found more such worms; in fact, there were three of the worms in one of the crickets. He also discovered that the worms he had placed in a bottle remained alive for seven days without food or water.

Parker decided the worm is the soul of the cricket, but Vern West maintains it is the cricket's hop.

Be that as it may, we know there were a lot of crickets on the desert about three years ago, and a lot of fat worms the following year. It doesn't require an entomologist to figure out that when the crickets died, the long thin worms crawled out and feasted on the luscious desert plants until they became fat and juicy.

We believe you've got something there, Bob.

LOVELY BLONDE TWINS TO BEAUTIFY PALM SPRINGS LADIES

Two beautiful twin sisters, Adella and Marcella, will arrive in Palm Springs today to serve as beauty operators in Lamonte's Hair-Styling Studio. The lovely young blondes are identical twins, and look so much alike that even their closest friends cannot distinguish one from the other. The young ladies are expert operators in all lines of beauty culture. Lamonte Sterling, proprietor of the studio located in the El Paseo building, arrived here yesterday to reopen the studio today.

Activities In Strike Area

Formal dismissal by the National Labor Relations Board of the case brought against Metropolitan Water District by the C. I. O. Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers' Union was announced this week by Director Niland of the board's Los Angeles office.

He said the board had no jurisdiction in the matter.

The decision was hailed as a victory for the District, which had contended from the first that the board had no jurisdiction over it because it is a public government body.

The union sought to enlist the aid of the board in compelling the district to contract to give nobody work on the Colorado River aqueduct, being built by the District, except such members of the union as were authorized by union officers.

Objection to the proposal was made by the District and a strike of the C. I. O. men resulted.

Highlight of the aqueduct tunnel strike this week was the statement made yesterday by Assistant General Manager J. L. Burkholder that 700 men are now working on the San Jacinto tunnel.

Aqueduct officials said work is progressing satisfactorily and that experienced tunnel workers, residents of the district, are returning to work daily.

Division Engineer B. C. Leadbetter stated about 200 more men are needed and the crews will be complete.

Officials of C. I. O. Local No. 270 claim the men employed by the district are not experienced miners.

The largest number of pickets since the beginning of the strike were

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Co-ordinate Plans For New Airport And Highway

Palm Springs can have its new airport with 5,000-foot runways on Section 18, east of the Field Club and also the new state highway through that section, by simply relocating the highway right-of-way about a fifth of a mile east in Section 18, according to plans worked out Wednesday by the Chamber of Commerce airport and highway committees, who conferred with airport and highway officials.

Charles L. Flack of the San Bernardino office of the state highway department, Major Bushey of March Field, and Arthur Ayres of the Department of Commerce Bureau of Air Navigation, of San Francisco, were here Wednesday and met with the Chamber of Commerce committeemen at the Desert Inn.

The men went out to the airport site and looked over the entire situation, and thought they could find a satisfactory solution which would be satisfactory to the state highway department.

The county board of supervisors recently voted to lease all of Section 18 of the Indian reservation and decided to sponsor a PWA project to improve part of it for a Palm Springs airport, the same to be turned over to Palm Springs if and when it becomes an incorporated city. The proposal was made possible by an act of congress and was accepted by the Indian Bureau and the local tribe of Indians.

In the meantime the new highway survey had been made by the state, and when blueprints were received, the airport committee discovered that the new highway would cut diagonally through the center of Section 18, making it impossible to locate an airport there with runways of sufficient length.

Major Bushey told the group Wednesday that runways would have to be 5,000 feet in length to accommodate the huge new air liners now under construction which might want to land on the local field. He drew a triangle diagram showing three runways, each 200 feet wide by 5,000 feet long with a short runway across the center of the diagram. The group found that such an airport could be built on the southwestern part of the section of land east of the Field Club along Ramon Road, by locating the proposed highway a fifth of a mile farther east. The original blueprints showed the highway swinging slightly to the west. The new location would not swing the highway into the wash on the eastern part of Section 18, but would leave it on high ground. It would simply mean keeping the highway straight across Section 18 and bringing the slight curve shown in the original plan to the southern side of the section instead of the northern side, as originally planned.

In view of the fact that nearly all of the relocation is in Section 18, leased by the county, there will be no difficulty on the part of the state to obtain the right-of-way. Therefore, it is believed the state highway department will accept the plan. It also met with the full approval of the airport experts.

Moving 5 Miles of Huge Palm Trees

The Millard R. Wright Co. of Palm Springs has a contract to move a row five miles long of huge palm trees, on the Foothill Boulevard, extending from Fontana to Etiwanda.

There are more than 300 trees in the five-mile row, and they are among the tallest in this region. The row of trees must be moved back to provide space for highway widening.

Considerable machinery and heavy equipment is required to move the trees.

The Millard R. Wright Co. also has the contract to landscape the grounds of the Colonial House in Palm Springs.

Mrs. Francis Crocker will return from Oceanside tomorrow. The two sons, Jeremy and David, will visit with their grandmother in Riverside for a short while before they join their parents here for the season.

Sidewalk Bicycle Stands Condemed

Property owners along Palm Canyon Drive will confer a favor upon the community if they refuse to rent space along the sidewalk and in parkways for bicycle stands, was the statement made yesterday by Frank V. Shannon, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Shannon pointed out that the Chamber of Commerce has gone on record disapproving bicycle stands on the main streets and bicycle riding on the sidewalk. The Chamber had acted in response to numerous complaints from winter residents.

School Opens Here Next Monday

High and grammar schools open next Monday, September 13.

There will be no advance registrations at the grammar school and the first day will be devoted to class work, so pupils are expected to bring their lunches or eat at the cafeteria if they do not live close enough to the school to go home at noon.

The new grammar school addition will be completed so that it can be occupied early in October.

A gratifying response has followed the notices about registration printed in The Banning Record. The publicity given to these notices is another illustration of the helpfulness and courtesy of the publishers.

Over two hundred students have already registered. This is approximately two-thirds of the registration expected for September.

For the guidance of both groups, those already registered, and those not yet registered, a program for the opening day, Monday, September 13, is given herewith.

A. General. There will be no "Special Hour" and no cafeteria on Monday. The buses will leave at 1:45 p. m.

B. Lockers. See Mr. Powell in room 21 after 1 p. m.

C. Students already registered. At 8:45 those already registered will receive their class schedule cards as follows:

Freshmen from Miss Thayer in the Study Hall.

Sophomores from Mr. Porter in room 20.

Juniors from Mr. Powell in room 21.

Seniors from Mr. Oswald in room 23.

The hour schedule for Monday will be:

I Hour 9:15-9:45; II Hour 9:50-10:20; III Hour 10:25-10:55; IV Hour 11:00-11:30; V Hour 11:35-12:05; VI Hour 12:10-12:40.

D. Students not yet registered. All unregistered students will please go at once on arrival to room 22. The principal and teachers will be there to help in your registration.

If those having special questions or special cases will be patient until the "regular" registration is completed, the principal will be better able to give such special cases his individual attention.

Seniors already registered are asked to report to their classes and then, as soon as their instructor can excuse them, to come to the hall outside the office to act as messengers. The president of the Associated Students, Theodore McKinney, will have general direction of this group.

Miss Muriel Fulton, secretary for W. E. Rabbeth, this week opened the Rabbeth real estate office. Mr. Rabbeth, who has been engaged in the real estate business at Del Mar this summer, will return here the latter part of this week. Miss Fulton spent the summer at San Francisco.

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Thoughts on Things

Harvey Johnson

Escondido is to celebrate "Grape Day." Eat enough of the green ones and it will be "Grape Day."

Apple growers in every section of the country are involved in an attempt to market one of the largest crops ever harvested. Why not open plants to can apple dumplings and pies?

Prune growers of California have organized so that the producer may realize enough to support their part of the indigent or indignant poor who are on the relief rolls. In Riverside county more than half the taxes to be collected will go for relief purposes this year. The guests aren't relatives and possibly they're not even our friends.

Peaches are quite the thing at this season. Some of them are in tins, while others stroll blithely about town in shorts and slacks.

Eat an apple a day and keep the doctor away. Eat prunes and even the druggist will look at you "kind-a-funny."

Looking toward the dark picture of the next world war, we wonder when the next Armistice Day papers will be signed. Does this troubled world have to go into another war for "democracy" and follow it up with the rattle of skulls and crossbones? Or, will the crazed militaristic leaders of the earth come to their senses before civilization is crucified on the cross of greed and power?

There must be another side to life, opposite the seamy side. Perhaps it will be found by a distressed and bewildered people in their appreciation of the finer things of life.

In one day recently Japan voted more money for their present war than was voted for their war against Russia, years ago. The rest of the world takes its pencil and paper in hand and figures the imperialistic government of Japan has taken a short cut on the road to financial ruin.

Desert Route Claims Another Victim

Riverside county's desert highways claimed another victim early Sunday morning, Carl W. Wardlaw, 22, of Safford, Ariz., suffered fatal injuries when the car driven by his wife overturned about nine miles west of Desert Center, on Highway 60.

Mrs. Wardlaw, 21, was attempting to pass a large Greyhound bus. Upon seeing a truck approaching from the west, Mrs. Wardlaw is said to have become confused and lost control of the vehicle, which overturned in a ditch. The bus driver, Lee Davis, has made a sworn statement to this effect and an inquest will not be held, according to Deputy Coroner Seymour Cash, who investigated.

Mrs. Wardlaw was only slightly injured, and was taken to the Coachella Valley hospital for treatment. The accident occurred at 4:40 a. m., and young Wardlaw lived only five minutes. The young couple were traveling to Los Angeles to visit his brother over the holiday.

The driver and passengers of the bus rendered first aid. The bus was two hours late at Banning because of the accident.

C C C YOUTH BITTEN BY RATTLER

Forest Ranger Roy Hamblin of Banning Heights has several C C C boys at his station. He took four boys on an exploration tour Tuesday. One of the boys, Raymond Cordova, attempted to extract a rattlesnake from a hole when the snake bit him. He was given first aid at the ranger's station and taken to March Field for treatment at the hospital there.

Analyzes County Budget For 1937-38 Fiscal Year

The budget of the county of Riverside is \$3,152,964, as finally approved by the board of supervisors, according to County Auditor Ray Hicks, who analyzed the budget in detail.

This amount includes \$1,359,778 to be raised by taxation in the county, \$1,271,300 in revenue other than taxes and \$521,886 in surplus funds on hand from last year.

The \$1,359,778 to be raised in county taxes will require a tax rate of \$1.80 per \$100 of assessed valuation, which means that if a property is assessed at \$3000 or 50 per cent of its actual value, the owner will pay \$54 in taxes. Last year he paid \$42.

Of the \$1.80 per \$100 tax, 35 cents will go toward administration expense and outlays, 38 cents for salaries, 94 cents for welfare relief and hospital, 9 cents for payment of bonds and interest and 4 cents to be spent as required by the board of supervisors.

The \$1,271,300 of revenue from other sources which is also used to pay expenses of county government is partially paid in indirect taxes by the people of Riverside county. The sum of \$255,000 is sent back to the county from the department of motor vehicles after pro-rata share of operating expense is deducted from the gasoline tax and motor vehicle fees.

This \$255,000, together with \$35,000 in fines and penalties taken in by local courts, will be expended upon county roads.

Another \$698,400 will be returned to the county from the old age pension taxes paid by local business and industry, and \$115,000 additional of state and federal funds obtained in various ways will be returned to the board of supervisors to spend here for welfare relief.

About \$170,000 of Riverside's share of the state liquor tax, fines, franchises, interest on bank deposits, fees, penalties, commissions, and special services is turned over to the general fund for payment of salaries and administrative costs of government, hospital and law library.

All in all, counting direct taxes on property, returns on taxes paid to the state and federal government, fees, fines, etc., the county board of supervisors will expend \$3,152,964 the coming year, which is no small sum.

Sixty per cent of the money will be spent for charities and corrections, meaning old age pensions, outdoor relief, hospitals, hospital building, detention home, clinic, etc.; 11 per cent for protection to person and property; 11 per cent for highways; 10 per cent for general government; 4 per cent for interest and debt redemption; 1 per cent for health and sanitation.

Another way of looking at it, 66 per cent will be spent for maintenance and operation which includes a multitude of detail, 22 per cent for salaries and wages; 7 per cent for capital outlays; 4 per cent for interest and debt redemption and 1 per cent for reserve.

A few of the smaller items in maintenance and operation are approximately \$54,000 for auto and travel expense, \$10,000 for telephone calls and \$9000 for postage stamps.

County hospitals, county farm, detention home, medical social service, county clinic and ambulance cost \$504,872. Aid to needy aged amounts to \$977,760 and general relief costs \$171,075. Aid to the needy blind costs \$30,000 and aid to needy children \$64,000.

County highways cost \$372,620, and this does not include the amount expended upon roads, which have been designated as state highways and which carry a majority of the traffic.

Protection to person and property, including sheriff, jail, prison camp, agricultural commissioner, flood control, recorder and other activities, costs \$367,538, while general government, which consists of departments in the court house, courts, juries, etc., costs \$320,583.

Education, including administration and interest and bond redemption, costs \$122,800, in addition to \$3,670,000 which is expended on instruction and which is not included in the budget as it is returned direct to the school districts from the state. Educational costs in California are paid by sales tax.

MAN HURT IN PLUNGE DOWN WELL REPORTED AS SOMEWHAT BETTER

Walter Stone, 69, Cabazon rancher, who fell to the bottom of a 40-foot well under construction on his property last Friday, suffering critical injuries, is reported by county hospital attendants to be "showing some improvement."

Stone and a friend were working at the well when he slipped and was catapulted into the hole. He sustained a possible skull fracture, severe back injuries and lacerations.

2,400 RAID GRADE CROSSINGS REMOVED

The states have used Government money to eliminate more than 2,300 railroad grade crossings since the national recovery act became law in 1933. If the average project cost remains the same, about 600 more danger spots will be removed under the new road program.

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The new game is a hit. New schools are taking it up every day. In coming issues THE AMERICAN BOY tells the world about this practical new game. In addition, it presents The American Boy Official Handbook, which can be obtained from the magazine at 20 cents a copy, or 15 cents when bought in bulk.

Note: Subscription prices of THE AMERICAN BOY will be raised in the near future. Send your subscription order at once to take advantage of the bargain rates now in effect: one year at \$1.00 or three years at \$2.00. Foreign subscriptions 50c a year extra. Send your name, address and remittance to THE AMERICAN BOY, 7430 Second Blvd., Detroit, Mich. On newsstands the price is 15c a copy.

Whitewater Couple Get Married

Miss Grace A. Gordon, resident of Devil's Garden near Whitewater, and A. J. McDonald of Whitewater, were married last week in The Little Church of the Flowers, at Forest Lawn in Glendale.

The marriage climaxed a four-year romance. Mrs. McDonald is well known here, having been a candidate for the position of postmaster at Whitewater. She has a charming personality and has a host of friends.

Mr. McDonald is employed on the Colorado River aqueduct near Cabazon, and came here about four years ago.

After the wedding the bridal couple and wedding guests attended a wedding reception at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Dunn in Los Angeles.

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Mrs. R. E. McGonagle Reviews Visit to Europe

Mrs. Robert McGonagle, of Bullocks' Palm Springs shop, recently gave a very interesting lecture on her European tour, which she made this summer in company with Mrs. Katherine Huncke, also of Bullocks' shop last season, but now holding a similar position in Santa Barbara. The two ladies were on a five months' trip abroad. Following are excerpts of Mrs. McGonagle's lecture:

Mrs. Huncke and I sailed on the Bretagne of the French Line from the Los Angeles Harbor, May 15, for Le Havre, France. This was a special cruise to take passengers to the Paris Exposition. The trip over required 30 days at sea, and during that time we made five trips ashore.

One week after sailing from Los Angeles, our ship anchored near La Libertad in El Salvador, and we went ashore in a tug-boat. Cars awaited us there to take us inland 25 miles to the capital, San Salvador, which is a picturesque city of fine municipal buildings and colorful stucco homes. There is a beautiful native flower market, and flowers were everywhere in evidence, selling at a very small price. Gardenia leis cost from 10 to 25 cents.

The principal industry of El Salvador is coffee. We visited one large coffee plantation, traveling over excellent roads that were crowded with trucks hauling coffee to the ports for shipment. The native children wore no clothes and the majority seemed to have rickets—thin legs and protruding abdomens.

Our second port of call was in the canal zone. We made the trip through the Panama canal by daylight, and it took our ship six hours to travel the 50 miles. The scenery was interesting all of the way. The locks reminded me of those on the Great Lakes at Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., but were much larger. The Calumba Cut is a wonderful piece of engineering work. The government buildings on the shore were fine looking and impressive. After we passed through the locks there were many picturesque little tropical islands.

We docked at Cristobal at 8 o'clock in the evening and sailed at 4 o'clock the next morning. While at Cristobal we hired native carriages and toured the city. As this is a free port, the merchandise in the shops is very reasonably priced. Cristobal is a busy place, and the shops remain open until midnight. Night life in the canal zone is as wild as any place in the world. All nations and races seem to mingle together.

Our next stop was at the island of Curacao in the Dutch West Indies, just 30 miles north of Venezuela. The principal industry of the island is oil. The Shell Oil Company has the largest refinery in the world there. Oil from South America is shipped there to be refined. Curacao was just like a bit of Holland—all Dutch architecture, very colorful buildings, and the cleanest place I have ever seen. Even the alleys looked as though they had been scrubbed with Old Dutch Cleanser.

Our fourth trip ashore was made in the French West Indies at the island of Martinique. The ship anchored and we were taken ashore in a tug boat at St. Pierre, a town which was completely destroyed by a gas and volcanic explosion in 1902. There cars awaited to take us across the island, 25 miles to the capital, Fort de France. The drive was perfectly beautiful—through very hilly tropical country, through coconut and banana plantations. The natives were black-skinned, but they were clean and apparently of a much higher type than the natives of El Salvador. At Martinique we saw the birthplace of Napoleon's Josephine.

Our last port of call was midway in the Atlantic at the Azores. These islands are Portuguese possessions, and the majority of ships that stop there are bound for South America. We stopped at the city of Horta on the island of Fayal. The thing that interested me most there was the native costume the women wore. When I first saw these women I thought they were Catholic sisters, but soon found out differently. These costumes are made of very heavy woolen material, cape and huge hood effect, which keep the sun and heat out in summer and the wind and cold out in winter. They are handed down from one generation to the next. We tried to buy one, but because of sentiment the natives refused to sell them. We wanted to wear them to the ship's masquerade ball.

Our ship docked at Le Havre, France, just 30 days after sailing from Los Angeles, and we took the boat train to Paris, where we spent a week and did all the things that tourists usually do. We stayed at a very fine hotel, just five minutes' walk from the Paris Exhibition grounds. The Exhibition occupies 250 acres in the center of Paris, and the buildings stretch along both banks of the Seine river.

It is really a gorgeous spectacle. We were disappointed to find only about 50 per cent of the buildings open when we were there, for work had been delayed because of labor strikes. However, we went through the buildings that were open.

Fifty nations are represented at the Exhibition. Without doubt, the two outstanding ones are Germany and Soviet Russia. Germany has made a splendid effort. Profiting by every inch of space that could be allotted, the Reich has built an imposing palace where every branch of her industry is represented. The tower alone weighs 7,000 tons, and for the construction of the pavilion 1,000 wagon-loads of stone, iron and other material were brought from Germany to Paris.

The Soviet Russian building faces the German pavilion, on the right bank of the River Seine, and her exhibit occupies a space of over 4,000 square yards. The chief feature of its elevation is also a tower, the main body of which rises 100 feet—on top of which is a massive piece of sculpture consisting of two figures, a young man and a young woman. These figures are 75 feet high and represent the youth of the Soviet upholding the hammer and sickle. These figures are visible from all parts of the Exhibition grounds.

We went to the top of the Eiffel Tower, which is 1000 feet high and the tallest tower in the world. The view of the city of Paris from that tower is marvelous. Paris is a beautiful city, with its wide avenues, fine buildings and lovely old trees. It was probably the cleanest city we visited. No coal is burned in Paris. The most picturesque avenue is the Champs Elysees, which extends for a mile and a half to the Arc de Triomphe. It is a favorite promenade in the latter part of the day and has many restaurants and sidewalk cafes.

We spent a full day at the Louvre, which has the largest collection of art treasures in the world. Our guide was a very interesting woman who, because of her excellent education and splendid background, was able to add much to our appreciation of the art treasures, sculpture and famous paintings.

A day was spent at Fontainebleau, another day at Versailles. As I have always enjoyed history, I was thrilled with both these places. We happened to be at Versailles the day the fountains played, which occurs only once a month. As I walked through the Hall of Mirrors in the Palace, in my imagination I could see Marie Antoinette dancing with Louis XIV.

As to the political situation, I would say that the most serious trouble at present is being caused by labor unrest in France. The week after we left Paris a hotel strike was called. In talking to educated Italians, they expressed the opinion that France is now in the same position politically that Italy was in before Mussolini came into power. They said France needs a Mussolini.

In Paris three San Francisco ladies, Mrs. Huncke and I signed with the American Express F.I.F., and a young man, John Adams of San Francisco, was chosen to be our conductor on what is called the Grand Tour of Europe. He spoke all the European languages, looked after our luggage, our hotel accommodations, and tips. Being a newspaper reporter in Europe for the San Francisco Examiner, he was familiar with all the countries. We traveled by train from Paris to Southern France and then by motor all along the French Riviera, which is a strip of coast along the Mediterranean extending from Marseilles on the west to the Italian border on the east. The scenery is famed the world over.

Cannes is the most aristocratic and has the best climate. We visited the Rogers estate and also saw the chateau that the Duke and Duchess of Windsor will occupy next winter. It is a beautiful place situated high above the sea, and has a moat and drawbridge from the road, which will insure absolute privacy to them.

We spent two days in Nice, a very cosmopolitan city.

Genoa was the first city we visited in Italy. It is a great seaport and industrial city. In traveling from Genoa to Rome we stopped off at Pisa and visited the leaning tower.

A week was spent in Rome, which wasn't half long enough. It is a beautiful city, with all its historic treasures of the past and the modernity of the present. Our hotel was situated near the old Roman wall. Of course we drove along the Appian Way, visited the Colosseum and the Pantheon, and spent a whole day going through the Vatican, visiting the sculpture galleries, tapestry gallery and sistine chapel. St. Peter's is the largest and most elaborate cathedral in the world. The main building cost 50 million dollars. The proportions of the columns,

the statuary and the mosaics are so vast that it is difficult to comprehend them unless one notices how very small the human beings are, walking around the Cathedral.

We were fortunate in seeing Mussolini. He addressed 60,000 women in the Piazza Venezia while we were there. He spoke from a balcony, so we were able to see him very well, even though we couldn't understand what he said. We had a letter of introduction to one of Mussolini's close friends who took us all through Mussolini's Forum, a project which is five miles square and has to do with the education of the youth of Italy. There were marvelous marble stadiums, swimming pools, gymnasiums, tracks and tennis courts. It took four hours of walking to see it all. Italy seems to be very proud of Mussolini's accomplishments. He has done a great deal for Italy. Everyone is working—unemployment is an unknown word. There are no beggars. Every foot of ground is under cultivation.

Of course, one feels that war is just around the corner. One night we saw several blocks of soldiers marching with knapsacks on their backs. They were going to Spain. It is a well-known fact over there that both Italy and Germany are using Spain as a laboratory in which to test their latest weapons on living targets. I asked one educated Italian who had spent 16 years in the army, but was now engaged in business, if he didn't dread war. His answer was, "No, there are too many Italians, anyway." I could not tell whether he was trying to appear nonchalant.

From Rome we traveled to Naples. There we saw hundreds of colored troops training. They had been brought back from Ethiopia. We visited Vesuvius, Pompeii, Sorrento, the Isle of Capri, and took the famous Amalfi drive. Several days were spent in Florence, the art center of Italy. We visited the famous art gallery which was founded by the Medici family. Every painting in it is an original, and the collection is the choicest in the world.

I celebrated my birthday in Venice, probably the most romantic spot in the world to celebrate one's birthday. It was such fun to be met at the railway station by gondolas instead of taxicabs. Our hotel was situated on the Grand Canal and was very modern and up-to-date. I was pleasantly surprised to find the canals of Venice so clean—again the credit goes to Mussolini. We took a motor boat over to the Lido on the Adriatic Sea, which is the most famous watering place in Europe.

We stopped at Milan for a day and saw Leonardo da Vinci's celebrated fresco of the "Last Supper." It was painted in the 15th century and is beautiful still, though much decayed.

Our last stop in Italy was at Stresa on Lake Maggiore—a beautiful spot. We spent three weeks in Italy and enjoyed every moment.

Switzerland was next on our itinerary—and like all tourists, we fell in love with it. The Swiss are such healthy, happy, peace-loving people, that everyone likes them. We spent one day motoring through the countryside and saw the farmers and their wives working side by side in the fields cutting hay.

We took a trip to the top of the Jungfrau; visited Adelboden, the home of winter sports; spent several days at Interlaken, and motored from there to Lucerne, an all day's trip practically over the top of the Alps. We ate lunch beside the Rhone glacier. Lucerne is a beautiful city built on the edge of the lake with the snow-capped Alps as a background. It is the center of the watch-making industry.

Before entering Germany we bought German marks, which can be bought much cheaper outside the country. However, we had to spend all the marks in Germany, for no one is permitted to take German money out of the country. We went through the Black Forest to Heidelberg, where we spent several days, and became well acquainted with an educated German lady who worked for the government. She gave us some first-hand information on the German situation. The people do not love or respect Hitler, but they are afraid of him. She had a son and a daughter in the University, and she feared for the safety of the daughter.

The boat trip on the Rhine was marvelous.

From Germany we went to Belgium and spent two days in Brussels. As you know, Brussels was occupied by the German army from 1914 to 1918. The Belgian people have not yet recovered from that siege. They still have sad faces and seem very serious minded. Of course, Brussels is a beautiful city, with fine broad avenues and imposing monuments. We visited the lace factories and the national shooting gallery. It seemed sad, with the memory of the last war still fresh in our minds, to see the young men training for the next war.

Our next stop was at The Hague in Holland. The population of The

Hague is 100,000, and it seemed that everyone was riding a bicycle. There were so many bicycles I was almost afraid to cross a street. We visited the Peace Palace which was presented by Andrew Carnegie, and then drove out to Schwenningen, a famous watering place on the North Sea. Then on to Amsterdam, the largest city in Holland. Here we visited the Ryks Museum and saw all of Rembrandt's famous paintings, the best known of which being the famous "Night Watch." A diamond factory where we watched the cutting and polishing of diamonds, was extremely interesting. Two members of our party purchased beautiful diamonds there.

In the afternoon we took a trip to the quaint island of Marken. As we stepped off the boat, it seemed that we were back in the Middle Ages, so strange were the customs and so fantastic the costumes of the people. The little boys and girls dress alike until they are six years of age, the only distinguishing mark being a white band down the front of the waist of the boys. At six the boys have their hair cut and begin to wear trousers. We also visited Volendam on the Zuyder Zee, and went through the cheese factory at Edam.

After leaving Amsterdam, we traveled by the Hook of Holland and crossed the English channel, landing at Harwich, England, and taking the boat train to London.

Two and a half weeks in London were filled with pleasure. We stayed at a very nice hotel just off the Strand and therefore were close to many interesting places. The king and queen were in Scotland, so we did not see them, but we visited Buckingham palace, went through Windsor castle, and saw the changing of the guards. We walked through Hyde Park, along the Serpentine, and to Marble Arch, where the soap box orators hold forth.

Trips through the English countryside were most interesting. We also visited Eton and Oxford Colleges. Boys cannot enter Eton until they are 15 years of age, yet the full quota of registrations is completed up to the year 1950. Parents make reservations when their boys are only a year old. After the boys finish Eton, they go on to Oxford. We visited Stokes Poges.

where Gray wrote the most famous poem in the English language, "Elegy in a Country Churchyard." We also visited the Shakespeare country and Kenilworth in the Lake District.

We attended a session of Parliament and heard Anthony Eden in a stirring address in which he discussed Britain's rights in the Mediterranean. He said the British Empire would protect those rights.

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Desert Sun Beams

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Workmen are plastering the administration building on the Indian reservation, occupied by Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Quackenbush.

Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Beaulieu were here yesterday to arrange for the opening of the Chili Hut next week in the Darnell building, next to the bowling alley. Some alterations and improvements will be made.

Bill Marvin has returned from Idyllwild and is now employed at the C. G. Lykken department store. He was at the Idyllwild Grocery this summer.

Assessor Says Relief Load Is Heavy

The relief burden in Riverside county is becoming heavy for the taxpayers, according to George V. Claytor, Riverside county assessor.

Mr. Claytor pointed out that since the month of August was the month when all budgets over the state of California were fixed and as rates set that a discussion of the 1937 county budget and the relationship of the county assessor's office might prove of interest. He stated that one of the grave problems which Californians budgeted for welfare, relief and charities and he submitted a chart showing the growth as follows:

1934-1935	\$ 156,200
1935-1936	221,500
1936-1937	612,400
1937-1938	1,154,260

Mr. Claytor called attention to the fact that the current fiscal year relief budget represents an increase of nearly one million dollars over four years ago and he reminded citizens that as taxpayers they should give more attention to the laws which permit the apparent free-hand generosity and liberalization of relief laws. He said that provision should be made for those unfortunate who are unable to take care of themselves, yet the burden should not be placed upon the shoulders of real property owners who represent only about 20% of the population of the state of California. He emphasized the fact that 53% of the present county budget amounting to \$3,321,905 was going out to old age pensions, aid to the blind, aid to the orphans, aid to indigents, hospitalization and hospital building fund. The assessor stated that local authorities, which means county supervisors and other county officials, have had their hands tied as regards this relief problem as the laws of California make it mandatory that the board of supervisors set up the amounts necessary to take care of their own relievers.

FAMOUS SEA TRIAL MAKES POWERFUL FILM; AT PALM SPRINGS THEATRE NEXT SUNDAY AND MONDAY



GEORGE RAFT, OLYMPE BRADNA, FRANCES DEE, GARY COOPER

A glance back at motion pictures for the last decade reveals the rather surprising fact that most of the big, epoch-setting films were stories of the sea.

Now comes another, as big and as epochal as any—the powerful, dramatic and beautifully filmed motion picture "Souls at Sea," which will be shown at the Palm Springs Theatre next Sunday and Monday.

Here is a motion picture, taken from an actual occurrence in history, so skillfully directed and acted and so masterfully produced and photographed that its place among the great motion pictures of all time is assured. The cast is headed by Gary Cooper, George Raft and Frances Dee, which should be enough to lift it into the top ranks at once. But its dramatic, well-told story, rugged in its appeal and massive in its scope, transcends even what the skillful cast could do to make it a perfect entertainment.

"Souls at Sea" is based on a famous trial in the last century which concerned the guilt of one "Nuggin" Taylor, a sea captain, who assumed command of the bark "William Brown" when the vessel took fire at sea. Because of the paucity of lifeboats Taylor held a trial while the ship was sinking, to determine who was to be

permitted to escape into the lifeboats and who was to remain and go to the bottom with the ill-fated vessel. He included himself in the number assigned to the lifeboats not, he pleaded to the court later, because he wanted to save his own life, but because somebody had to go along to navigate the boats and he was the only seaman in the lot.

One of the chief witnesses against Taylor at his famous trial was Margaret Tarryton, played by Miss Dee. She was the sister of a deserter from the British Navy who was ordered to remain on the "William Brown" by Taylor, and despite the fact that she loved Taylor and he loved her, was forced to testify against him by the conviction that he had been unjust to her brother.

The story is told in flashback. It begins with the trial and then goes into the story of the ill-fated journey of the "William Brown," reaching its powerful climax back in the court room where a jury holds Cooper's fate in its hands.

The cast also includes Henry Wilcoxon, Harry Carey, Olympe Bradna, Robert Cummings, Porter Hall and many others. It was directed by Henry Hathaway.

STRIKE

(Continued from First Page)

In front of the M.W.D. building and union headquarters late yesterday afternoon and those seated in their parked cars loudly honked their horns when aqueduct workers came through the lines.

The case against Hermond Ball, a striker, was dismissed yesterday afternoon in Justice J. J. Fredericks' court after the jury had been selected, when it was discovered that the alleged crime had been committed in Beaumont township, and consequently outside the jurisdiction of San Geronimo township court. Incidentally, court attaches and everyone else present at the trial were surprised to learn that the south part of Banning, south of the wash and as far east as Hathaway street, is in Beaumont township.

Deputy District Attorney W. O. Mackey was here to prosecute the case and Attorney Charles Astel of the International Labor Defense represented the defendant. J. W. Tuttle, an aqueduct worker, was the plaintiff.

It was alleged that on the evening of August 19, Ball, one of a group of picketers, threw rocks at a truck of workers on the road to Lawrence adit, and that Tuttle was hit in the leg by a rock.

After one or two witnesses had been heard, Attorney Astel established the

fact that the alleged assault had been committed in Beaumont township, and consequently the local court had no jurisdiction over the case. Prosecutor Mackey consented to the dismissal of the case, and the defendant was released.

The jury that had been selected to try the case were Henry D. Zook, George H. Stewart, Ethel Allen, Georgia Lee Dietrich, Fred Pratt, James Gilman, Mrs. Bonnie G. Russell, Victor Stump, C. A. Cothran, Harry Hanson, J. B. Edmonds, M. C. Houser.

Major Brown, a striker, was arraigned in Justice Fredericks' court yesterday on the charge of violating Section 104 of the Penal Code, viz: causing a riot, and he pleaded not guilty. Bail was set at \$1,000, but he failed to make bail and was ordered held in jail. His preliminary hearing was set for September 15. Edward B. Myers, aqueduct employee, swore to the complaint against Brown. Two other strikers are charged with the same crime allegedly committed upon Myers, but they have not yet been arrested.

Preliminary hearing for Eldon Taylor and John Drexel, set for yesterday, was continued until tomorrow, September 10. Complainant is Verna Blevins. They had pleaded not guilty at their arraignment.

Sheriff's deputies report that John Michael, aqueduct worker at Cabazon shaft, was attacked and severely beaten by two men at a Beaumont service

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station one night last week. It is alleged that Michael was knocked down and kicked in the face.

Two more men have been arrested in connection with the assault of Ivan Hallock, Cabazon scoutmaster and aqueduct worker, who was badly beaten up in a Whitewater service station last week. Samuel Schoenberger was arrested in Los Angeles by Los Angeles police and William Beurrier was arrested by Riverside county sheriff's deputies. Both men are held in the Riverside county jail. Royal Lester is another man being held in connection with the same case.

FRANK READS RETURN FROM LONG VACATION TRIP

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Read expect to return to Palm Springs about September

her 12, after a lovely trip which took them to Yellowstone National Park, where they met Mrs. Read's sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Keller, of Minot, North Dakota. Mr. Keller is vice-president of Truax Traer, local company. They spent some time there where the fishing was the best they had ever had. From Yellowstone they went across Montana and into Washington and down through Oregon and through San Francisco, where they visited friends for some time. Mr. and Mrs. Read went on to Los Angeles and Long Beach and for the last few weeks they have been staying at C. E. Bunker's ranch which is located on the Palms-to-Pines highway. Mr. and Mrs. Read will operate the same place of business the coming season, which is

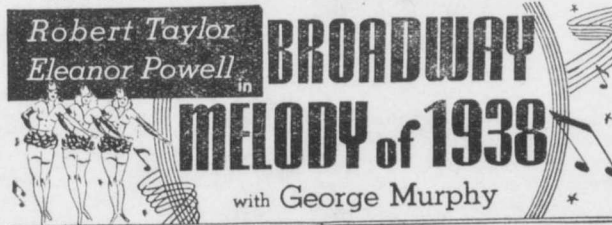
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